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### PATENT

TITLE: THERAPEUTIC FORMULATIONS CONTAINING VENOM OR VENOM ANTI-SERUM EITHER ALONE OR IN COMBINATION FOR THE THERAPEUTIC PROPHYLAXIS AND THERAPY OF NEOPLASMS

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### ABSTRACT

The present invention comprises the method of treating a host organisms (man or animal) in need of a drug having direct or prophylactic anti-neoplastic administration comprising the activity therapeutically effective amount of venom anti-serum alone or in combination with a known Phospholipase C anti-serum or a Phospholipase C inhibitory compound. A vaccine containing in whole or in part snake or insect venom components and Phospholipase C enzyme components. patent presents pharmaceutical formulations This containing snake and/or insect venoms, or extracts from which contain, total venoms such phospholipase A2 enzyme activity. This patent presents therapeutical pharmaceutical formulations containing anti-serum to snake and/or insect venoms wherein the anti-serum has been preferably affinity purified for use in treating patients suffering from neoplastic presents pharmaceutical patent This disease. formulations containing organic polymer mimic molecules generated to snake and/or insect venoms, Pospholipase C enzyme preparation or extract from such partial, total contain, which may venoms phospholipase A2 enzyme activity or activities similar to other neuro-active peptides.

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In this patent the affinity purified anti-serum to venoms are shown to be active anti-proliferative neoplastic agents.

The present invention comprises the method of treating host organisms (ie human or animal) in need of a drug having anti-neoplastic activity comprising the administration of a therapeutically effective amount of anti-serum either alone or preferably venom combination with a Phospholipase C inhibitor of nontoxic nature or monoclonal or polyclonal anti-serum to Phsopholipase C enzyme or a vaccine containing in whole in part venom and other components showing Phospholipase A2 and/or Phospholipase C activity. This patent presents pharmaceutical formulations containing snake and/or insect venoms, or extracts from such partial, total OI. contain, may venoms which enzyme activity alone Phospholipase combination with Phospholipase C inhibiting compounds or Phospholipase C mono or polyclonal anti-serum Phospholipase C enzyme as therapeutic vaccine candidate for all neoplastic diseases. This patent presents therapeutic pharmaceutical formulations containing anti-serum to snake and/or insect venoms wherein the anti-serum is preferably affinity purified

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for use in treating neoplastic diseases. This patent presents pharmaceutical formulations containing organic polymer mimic molecules generated to snake and/or insect venoms, or extract from such venoms or synthetic peptides or other molecules which may contain, total or partial, Phospholipase  $A_{\geq}$  and C enzyme activity.

Affinity purified anti-serum to vencas are shown herein below, by way of example, to be active in-vitro in-vivo anti-proliferative neoplastic agents. anđ Accordingly, these affinity purified antisera either alone but preferably in combination with non-toxic to anti-serum inhibitor OI Phospholipase C are useful in the control of Phospholipase proliferation of neoplastic tissue.

# 15 BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

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There is evidence to indicate that Phospholipase A2 (PLA2) is involved in the pathogenesis of many diseases. Thus local and circulating levels of Phospholipase A2 enzyme and enzymatic products are elevated during infection, inflammatory diseases, tissue injury and brain dysfunction and is a very early indication of neoplastic development prior to tumour

cell mass being evident by conventional methods scanning tissue tumours.

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Excessive Phospholipase A2 activity may promote chronic inflammation, allergic reaction, tissue damage and pathophysiological complications. These effects may be the result of accumulating Phospholipase A2 products acids, (lysophospholipids free and Arachidonic Acid) and destruction of key structural phospholipid membrane components, but are potentiated by secondary metabolites, such as eicosanoids and platelet-activating factor. Phospholipase Az products or lipid mediators derived there from have implicated in numerous activities that are an integral adhesion, part of cell activation; chemotaxis, degranulation, phagocytosis and aggregation.

Phospholipase A2 secreted excessively at may be responsible for tissue damage common to rheumatic disorders, alveolar epithelial injury of lung disease and reperfusion.

cytosolic acute myocardial ischemia, During 20 Phospholipase A2 and Phospholipase C activation causes increased intracellular Ca2-. Subsequent accumulation

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of lysophospholipids and free fatty acids promote damage to sarcolemmal membranes leading to irreversible cell injury and eventually cell death.

Altered cytosolic Phospholipase A<sub>2</sub> and Phospholipase C activity or defects in their control and regulation is a predisposing factor to causing tumour cell development.

and related eicosanoids are Prostaglandins important mediators and regulators of both immune and inflammatory responses. Prostaglandin E2 induces bone resorption and Leukotriene B. stimulates vascodilation and chemotaxis. Increased levels of Phospholipase A2 is noted in Rheumatoid Arthritis (R.A.), osteoarthritis diseases. vascular collagen and gout, and airway specific induces non Phospholipase Az hyperactivity that is evident in asthma. Phospholipase Az is also elevated in peritonitis, septic shock, renal failure and pancreatis.

The activity of cell-mediated defense systems is stimulated by consecutive formation of interleukin -18 (IL-18), interleukin-2 (IL-2) and interferon  $\gamma$  (IFN  $\gamma$ ). The system is inhibited by interleukin-4 (IL-4) and

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also by prostuglandin E<sub>2</sub> (PGE<sub>2</sub>) and histamine, which are released when the immune system is activated. The inhibition is strong in cancer patients, because PGE<sub>2</sub> is formed in many cancer cells and its formation is stimulated by IL-18. PGE<sub>2</sub> and histamine are feedback inhibitions of cell mediated immunity.

PGE2 is formed from arachidonic acid in monocytes, cancer cells and other cells, when macrophages, cellular released from arachidonic is acid phospholipids. The formation of PGZ2 is stimulated by several compounds, including histamine, IL-1 (a and B) and Tumour Necrosis Factor  $\alpha$  (TNF $\alpha$ ). PGE $_{\mathbf{z}}$  inhibits the formation and receptor expression of IL-2 by increasing the level of cyclic AMP (cAMP) in helper T cells. This concomitantly decreases the formation of IFN Y.

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PGE: inhibits the ability of natural killer cells (NK) to bind with tumcur cells by increasing cAMP in Natural Killer cells. This decreases tumour cell killing.

When the immune system is stimulated to destroy tumour cells, the killing is prevented because IL-19 stimulates PGE> formation in tumour cells, which

increases cAMP levels in NK cells and prevents the binding of NK and tumour cells.

The activation of the cell-mediated defense is blocked also because  $PGE_2$  increases cAMP in helper T cells and inhibits the formation of IL-2 and ITN  $\gamma$ .

Cytotoxic T cells can also produce  $PGE_2$  thus inhibiting the activity of NK cells.

A number of human and experimental animal tumours contain and/or produce large quantities of prostaglandins (PG). Prostaglandins  $E_2$  has been shown to effect significantly cell proliferation in tumour growth and to suppress immune responsiveness.

Inositol phospholipid - specific phospholipase C (PLC) is involved in several signaling pathways leading to cellular growth and differentiation.

Phosphatidylinositol specific phospholipase C is an important enzyme for intracellular signalling. There are at least three major classes of Phosphatiylinsitol specific Phospholipase C PtdInsPLC: PtdInsPLC B, Y, 6. PtdInsPLCs hydrolyse a minor

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membrane phospholipid, phosphatidylinositol (4,5) bisphosphate (PtdIns (4,5) P<sub>2</sub>) to give the second messengers inositol (1, 4, 5) trisphosphate (Ins (1, 4, 5) P<sub>3</sub>), which releases Ca-- from intracellular stores to increase the intracellular free Ca-- concentration, and diacylglycerol which activates the Ca-- and phospholipid-dependent protein serine/threonine kinase, protein kinase C. Proteins phosphorylated by protein kinase C include transcription factors. Together, the increase in intracellular free Ca-- concentration and the activation of protein kinase C lead to a series of events that culminate in DNA synthesis and cell proliferation in tumour cells.

A number of growth factors and mitogens, including platelet-derived growth factor (PDGF), epidermal growth factor (EGF) and bombesin, act through specific receptors to increase Ptd Ins PLC activity in cells. Continued stimulation of Ptd Ins PLC can lead to cell transformation.

Ptd Ins PLC activity is found to be increased in a number of human tumours. 76% of human breast cancers have detectable Ptd Ins PLC-y immunoreactive protein compared to only 6% in benign breast tissue.

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Cytosolic Ptd Ins PLC activity is increased up to >4-fold in human non-small ceil lung cancer and renal cell cancer compared to normal tissue.

## SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

The present invention comprises the method of treating mammals including humans in need of a drug to prevent neceplastic tissue growth and spread by the administration of a therapeutically effective amount of vencm anti-serum prepared to whole venom or to parts of the venom or its components related to activating Phospholipase A2. Also enhanced anti-cancer effects both in-vitro and in-vivo have been realised by combining this affinity purified antiserum to venoms with a non-toxic inhibitor of Phospholipase C or with anti-serum (polyclonal or monoclonal) developed to Phospholipase C enzyme.

This patent relates to the administration of one or more compounds which can generally be described as performing their function by either directly or indirectly causing Phospholipase A2 and Phospholipase C enzyme inhibition, wherein the said inhibition is either partial or total. In addition this patent relates to the administration of one or more compounds

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which can generally be described as performing their function by interaction with the neoplastic cells causing them to alter their metabolism and thereby preventing their growth or spread, thus preventing further disruption of non-involved organs of the body and causing no toxicity to the infected patient or animal being treated.

Additional aspects of the invention relates to pharmaceutical compositions containing the compounds of the invention as active ingredients, modifying unwanted immune responses, and to methods of retarding proliferation of tumour cells using the compounds and compositions of this invention.

The anti-serum to venoms are shown herein to be active anti-tumour proliferative compounds and immune enhancing. For use in this regard, the compounds of the invention are administered to mammals, including humans, in an effective amount of 0.05 to 5 gms per day per kilogram of body weight. The amount depends, of course, on the condition to be treated, the severity of the condition, the route of administration of the drug, and the nature of the subject. The drugs may be administered IV, orally, parenterally, or by other

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standard administration routes.

The therapeutic activity of the compounds of this invention are demonstrated by inhibition of the tumour cell lines in-vitro and in-vivo. The compound was tested for toxicity in Scid mice. Results as in Figure A1.

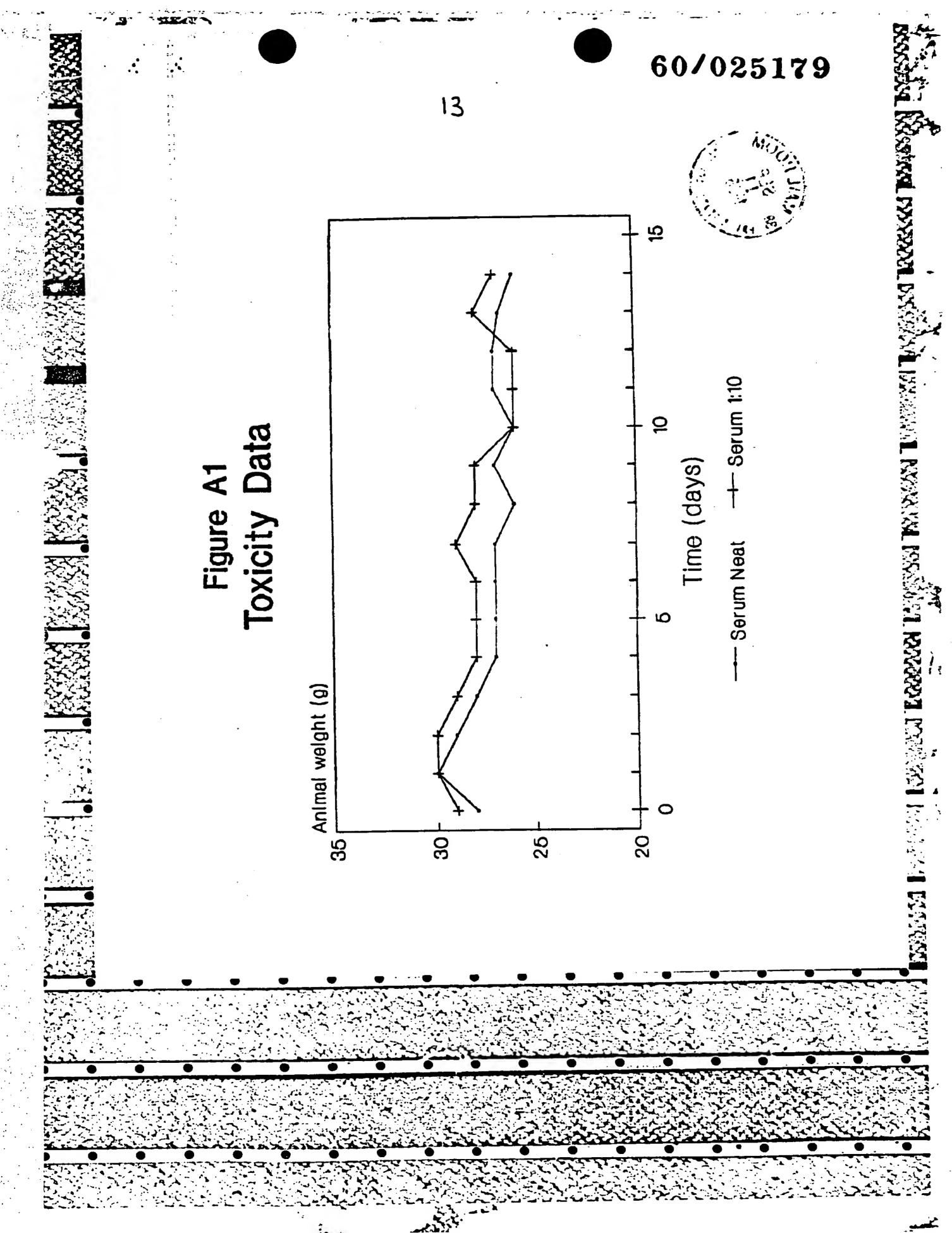
## Toxicity Study

### Method

Female Scid mice (6-8 weeks of age) were treatedwith either a Neat or a 1:10 dilution of the serum preparation, subcutaneously (0.1ml, daily) for a period of 14 days. The weights of the mice were measured daily. At termination, organs were removed and fixed in formal calcium for histological examination.

## 15 Results

No toxicity, as assessed by animal weights and clinical well-being, was evident (Figure A1).



The compounds of this invention may be combined with other known anti-inflammatory/immunosuppressive agents such as steroids or non-steroidal anti-inflammatory agents (NSAID) in the pharmaceutical compositions and methods described herein.

Anti-serum to snake and/or insect venoms can be used as a therapeutic treatment in diseases where elevated levels of Phospholipase Az are evident, (eg It is Rheumatoid Arthritis, see Fig. B). envisaged that this novel therapy with anti-serum to (snake or insect) can be applied venoms prophylactic therapy by using sub-lethal doses of venoms or the venom enzyme extracts together with adjuvant to stimulate an immunoglobulin response within the patient. It is also envisaged that a synthetic peptide incorporating the Phospholipase Az and/or Phospholipase C activity could be used to generate said anti-serum as vaccine or therapeutic agent. also be made in the generating of this therapeutic vaccine/anti-serum by using the known sequence homology exists between human Phospholipase snake/insect venoms used in combination with compounds known to inhibit Phospholipase C activity or anti-serum developed to this enzyme.

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which effects the enzyme at the cell membrane surface but does not penetrate into the cell cytoplasm may be very desirable and this is achieved by the use of carrier moieties. Attached to the antibodies the primary role of the carrier moiety is to increase the size (molecular volume) of a Phospholipase A<sub>2</sub> inhibitor forming the Phospholipase A<sub>2</sub>—inhibitor moiety of the composition of this invention sufficient to render the latter cell-impermeable.

The compounds of this invention possess the valuable pharmacological properties of the Phospholipase A2 and Phospholipase C inhibitor moiety thereof but lack the side effects associated with cell penetration.

Sustained or directed release compositions can be formulated, e.g. liposomes or those wherein the active compound is protected with differtially degradable coatings, e.g. by microencapsulation, multiple coatings, etc.. It is also possible to freeze-dry the new compounds and use the lyophilizates obtained, for example, for the preparation of products for storage and subsequent injection.

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#### EXPERIMENTATION

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The compounds of this invention can be identified as anti-serum to venoms or Phospholipase C or mimic molecules generated to venoms or Phospholipase C or parts thereof also the pharmaceutical use of venoms or enzyme components as vaccine antigen are incorporated.

Non-toxic compounds showing anti-phospholipase C activity can be incorporated with the anti-serum to venoms, or mimic molecules demonstrating Phospholipase A activity.

In certain applications of this therapy it will be necessary to curtail the ADCC reaction which could cause serum sickness and to ensure that this does not occur the IgG (FC) component is enzymatically cleaved from the affinity purified immunoglobulin so that natural killer T cells will not react to the anti venom immunoglobulin in the anti-serum.

Ability of anti-serum to snake venom to inhibit Phospholipase A2 enzyme isolated from human synovial fluid (Figure A2).

The inhibition of Phospholipase A2 enzyme from synovial fluid isolated from a patient with Rheumatoid

Arthritis was tested with a range of dilutions of antiserum to snake venom. Anti-serum to snake venom
generated in horse, reconstituted in 10ml sterile
water. The following dilutions were used 1:10, 1:20,
1:40 and 1:60. The method used was as outlined in
"Infection and Immunity, Sept. 1992, p. 3928-3931.
Induction of Circulating Group II Phospholipase A2
Expression in Adults with Malaria.

# Results (Figure A2)

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	1:10	63#
	1:20	50%
	1:40	35%
	1:60	298

15 In-vitro testing of un-affinity purified snake venom.

A range of tumour cell lines were tested with 3 concentrations of the anti-serum to snake venom by the MTT Assay. This anti-serum was not affinity purified. MTT Assay described by Alley et al, (Cancer Research, 48: 589 - 601, 1988) See Figure B.

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Molt 4: Human T Cell Lymphoma Cancer

Serum-containing		
Dilution	* of Control	
Neat	48.1	
1:10	53.7	
1:20	40.8	
Serum-Free		
Neat	58.7	
1:10	51.2	
1:20	40.6	

MDA 468: Human Breast Cancer

Serum-containin	g	
Dilution		# of Control
Neat	•	8.0
1:10	:	53.7
1:20		58. <b>9</b>
Serum-Free		•
Neat	:	15.4
1:10		48.4
1:20		58. <b>9</b>

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С170НМ2:	Human	Colon	Cancer
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Serum-containing	
Dilution	* of Control
Neat	9.3
1:10	61.4
1:20	55.6
Serum-Free	
· Neat	15.2
1:10	47.3
1:20	49.5

Pan 1: Human Pancreatic Cancer

	Serum-containin	g	_
	Dilution	1 3 of Control	<u>-</u> .
	Neat	9.3	
15	1:10	47.5	
-	1:20	49.2	;
	Serum-Free		_
-	Neat	43.1	
	1:10	. 53.2	
20	1:20	69.4	

# 841: Human small cell lung cancer

Serum-containing		
Dilution	* of Control	
Neat	25.2	
1:10	45.5	
1:20	51.1	
Serua-Free		
Neat	63.1	
1:10	60.1	
1:20	59. <b>8</b>	

# T24: Human Bladder Cancer

Serum-contain	ing
Dilution	* of Control
Neat	63.5
1:10	75.1
1:20	76.2
Serum-Free	
Neat	. 84.1
1:10	87.9
1:20	e3.4

Testing un-affinity purified anti-serum to Snake Venom against 816 F1 Melanoma Cell line.

### Mice

C57BL/6

### 5 <u>Procedure</u>

The mice were inoculated with 0.5 x 10° B16 F1 melancma cells subcutaneously (sc) into flank region. Once palpable tumours had developed the mice received daily sc injections as follows:-

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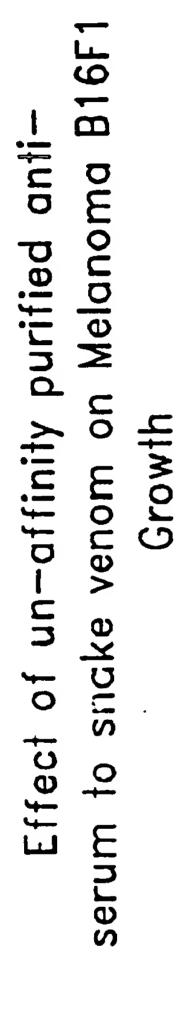
A - sterile water 100ul 6
B - anti-serum (full strength) 100ul 6
C - anti-serum (diluted 1:10) 100ul 6

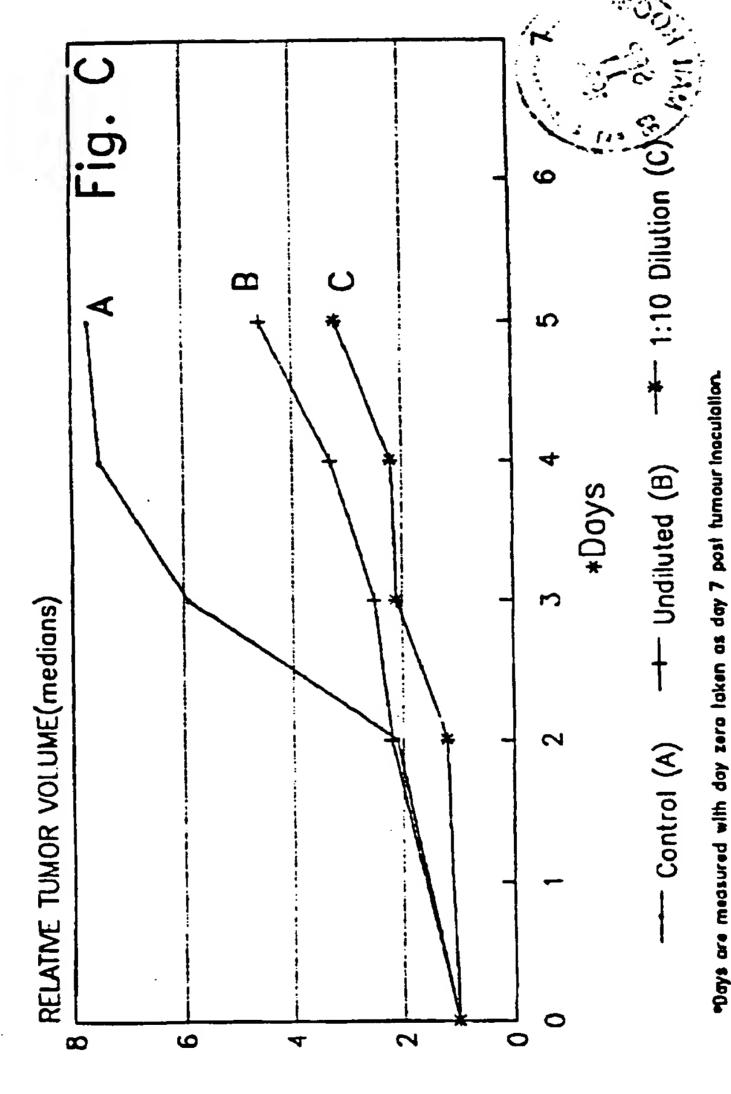
The dimensions of the tumours were taken daily using callipers. Once the tumours of the control mice were approximately 1.5cm or larger in diameter all mice were killed. The tumours were removed and weighed.

## <u>Results</u>

20 Small tumours were first discernible by palpitation in all mice 6-7 days after inoculation.

The changes in volume as measured by callipers, together with tumour weights at autopsy. See Fig. C for effect of anti-serum to snake venom on tumour growth retardation.





IN VITRO SCREENING OF THE AFFINITY PURIFIED ANTI-SERUM TO SNAKE VENOM PREPARATION AGAINST A RANGE OF TUMOUR CELL LINES (Illustrated in Fig. D)

## Introduction

The in vitro inhibitory effects of the horse generated anti-serum to snake venom preparation, previously evaluated were obscured due to serum enhancement of tumour cell growth. Thus in the following assay, affinity purified anti-serum to snake venom was evaluated.

### Method

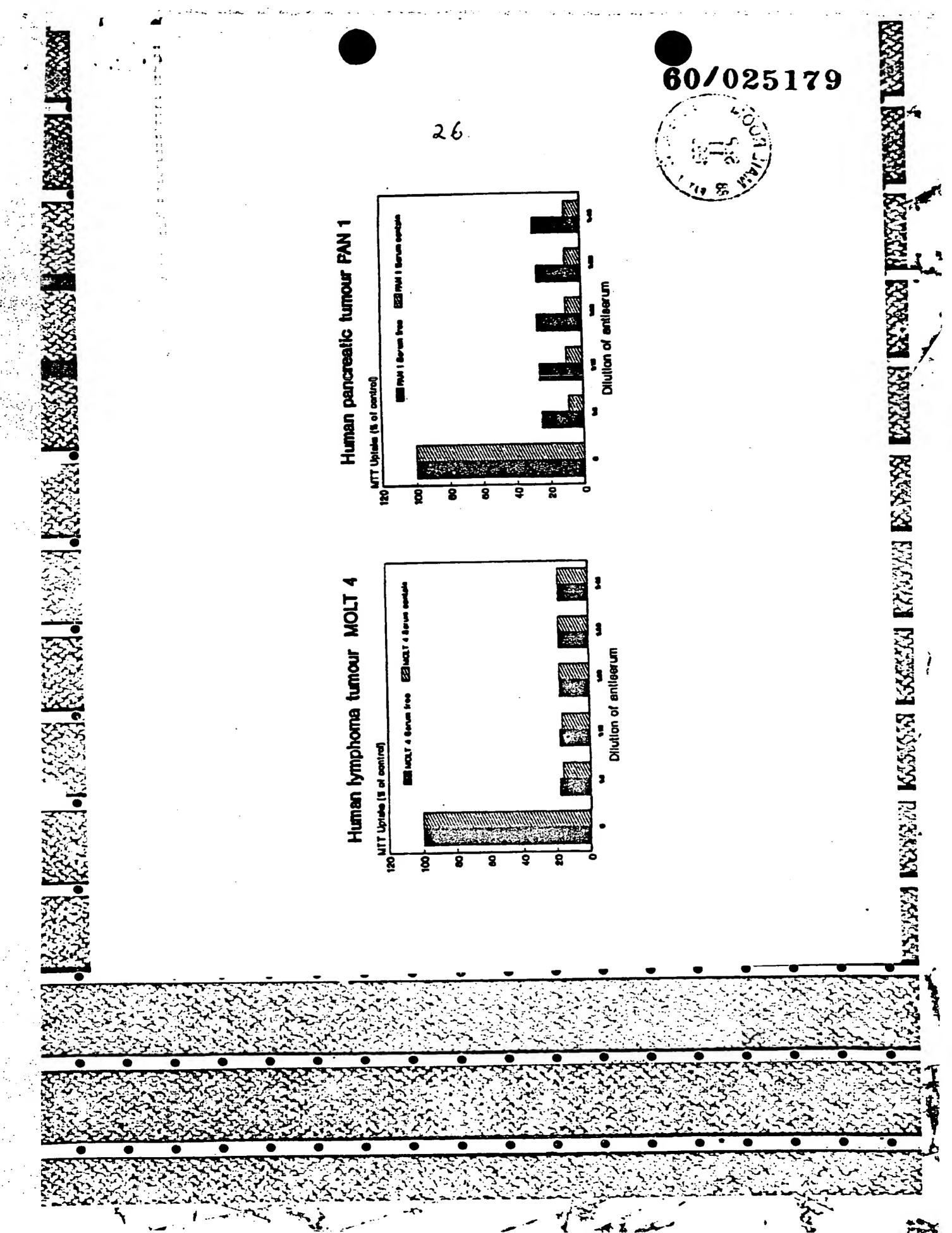
The cell lines were seeded into 96 well plates at a cell concentration of le4 cells per well in both serum free (Hams F12:RPMI 1640 + 0.5% bovine serum albumen) and serum-containing medium (RPMI 1640 + 10% heat inactivated foetal calf serum). The antiserum preparation was diluted in the corresponding medium and added to the wells, 2-3 hours after the cells (to allow for cell adherance). The plates were incubated at 37°C in 5% CO2 for 3 days. The cells were then incubated with 1 mg/ml MTT (methyl thiazol tetrazolium) for 4 hours at 37°C. The crystals were then solublised with dimethyl sulphoxide and the absorbance measured at 550nm.

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## Results

The test anti-sera inhibited all of the cell lines at all concentrations examined. The level of inhibition was statistically significant from the untreated control at all antiserum dilutions, with all cell lines as assessed by a one way analysis of variance.



#### IN-VIVO TEST

The effects of affinity purified anti-serum to snake venom on human colorectal C170HM2 cell line.

## Materials and Methods

C170MH2 cells were injected subcutaneously into the left flank of ten male nude mice. The mice were allocated randomly to two groups.

Group 1 - 100µl anti-serum twice daily intravenously (IV)

10 Group 2 - 100µl PBS twice daily IV

Tumours were measured twice weekly, using callipers, in two dimensions. Cross-sectional areas were calculated. The mice were also weighed once weekly. The therapy was terminated at day 22.

## 15 <u>Results</u>

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The cross-sectional areas were measured at increasing time points during the experiment, as shown in Fig. E. The afinity purified anti-serum preparation induced a slowing in growth when compared to saline controls. An ANOVA was performed on the results in which the treatment was evaluated with respect to time,

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and shows a significance of P = 0.028.

At the termination of the experiment, the tumours were weighed and the results are shown in Fig. F. No toxic effect of the affinity purified anti-serum preparation was observed.

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In-vitro screen of the affinity purified anti-serum to snake venom preparation in combination with a phospholipase C inhibitor 1-oleoyl-2-acetyl-sn-glycerol (OAG) 5µ molar, on a range of cancer cell lines.

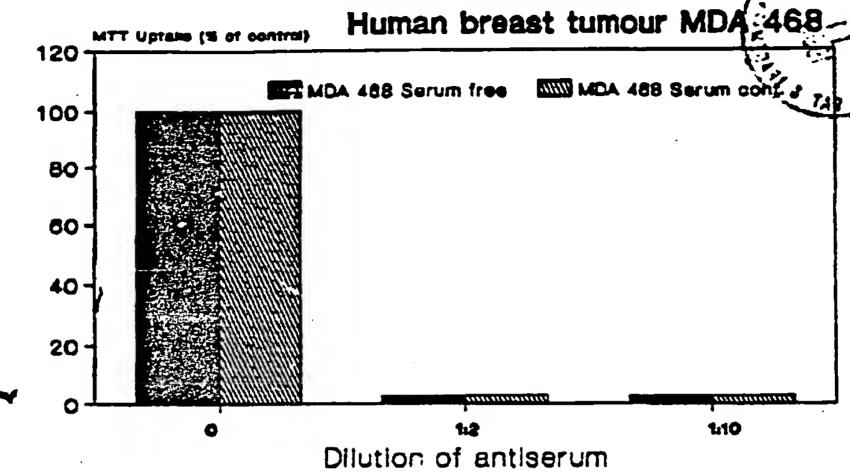
### Methods.

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The affinity purified anti-serum to snake venome preparation was diluted 1:2 and 1:10 and was combined with 5µ molar OAG and added to the wells as previously described for the MTT assay. The cell lines tested were Human Breast tumour, MDA 468, Human small cell lung tumour 841 and Human renal TK-10. Results as shown in Fig. G.

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Figure G: Affinity purified anti-serum to snake venom and (OAG) a Phospholipase C inhibitor combination.



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Figure G: Affinity purified anti-serum to snake venom and (OAG) a phospholipase.

C inhibitor combination

Human small cell lung tumour 841

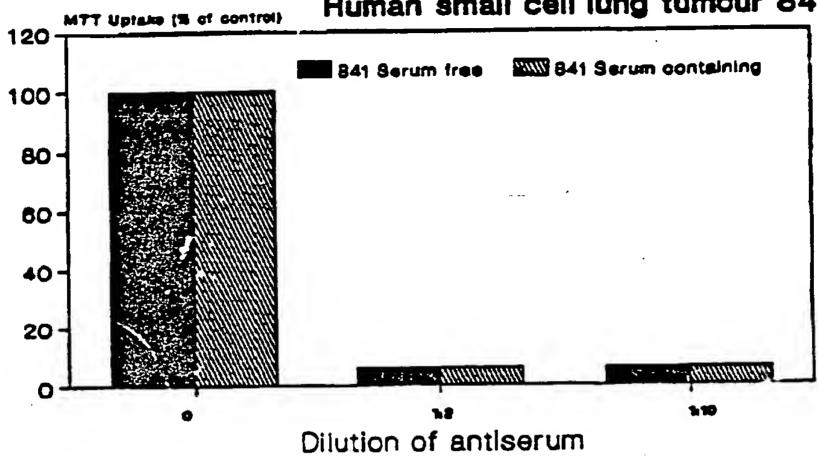
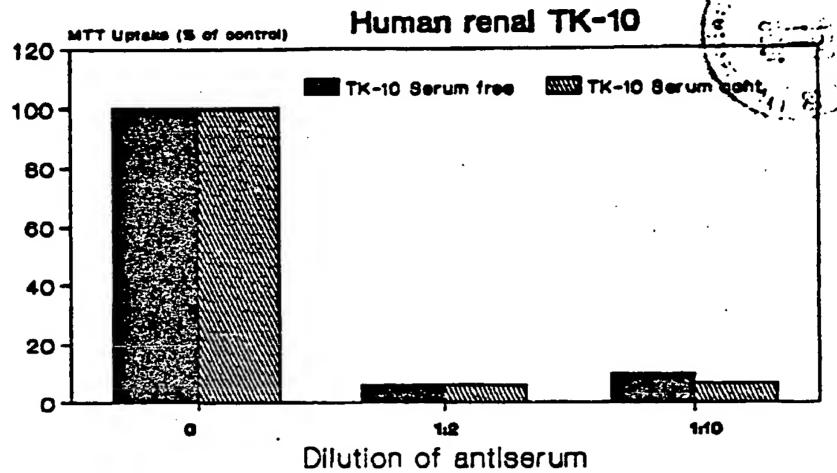


Figure G: Affinity purified anti-serum to snake venom and (OAG) a phospholipase C inhibitor combination



In-vivo testing of the combination of affinity purified anti-serum to snake venom and 1-oleoyl-2-acetyl-sn-glyceral (OAG) at 5µm concentration on the growth of MDA 468 cell line.

## Method

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tumours were aseptically removed from MDA The tissue was aseptically donor female Scid mice. minced, pooled and implanted into anaesthetised female Scid mice (anaesthetic comprised of a 0.2ml injection of Hypnorm (Jannsen): Hypnovel (Roche): distilled water in a 1:1:5 ratio). Tissue implants consisted of 3-5 mm<sup>2</sup> pieces and after subcutaneous transplantation into the left flank, the incision was clipped. mice were then randomised into 2 groups of 10 animals. They were treated daily with a 0.2ml subcutaneous injection (in the opposite flank to the tumour graft) of a combination of affinity purifed anti-serum to snake venom and 5µm molar of (OAG) dilution of the anti-serum preparation. The control animals received 0.2ml phosphate buffered saline, pH 7.6. All animals were terminated on day 63, and the tumours were dissected out, weighed and processed for histology. Results are in Fig. H.

Nithout further elaboration, it is believed that one skilled in the art can, using the preceding description, utilise the present invention to its fullest extent. The preferred specific embodiments are, therefore, to be construed as merely illustrative, and not limitative of the disclosure in any way whatsoever.

## I Claim

- A method of treating neoplasm in mammals by the administration of a therapeutic agent containing venom reactive with Phospholipase A2 anti-serum causing inhibition of same or anti-serum polyclonal or monoclonal directed to any component of the venom preparation demonstrating Phospholipase A2 activity.
- A method of treating mammals prophylactically to prevent neoplastic development by the administration of a therapeutic vaccine containing venom or part thereof as the principal antigen component.
  - Pharmaceutical formulations containing venom anti-3. serum or part thereof in combination with anti-serum to Phospholipase C enzyme or part thereof or inhibitory compounds to Phospholipase C for use as a therapeutic agent for the therapy of any neoplastic condition in a human or animal.
- Pharmaceutical formulations containing one or more venoms or venom components as antigen in combination with Phospholipase C enzyme or enzyme components of 20 animal or plant origin also as antigen components for the generation of a prophylactic vaccine therapy whose

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immune response in animals or human would confer protection from tumour cell development.

- 5. A method according to Claims 2, 3 or 4 wherein the venoms used may contain total or partial phospholipase A2 enzyme activity.
- 6. A method according to Claim 5 wherein a phospholipase enzyme C inhibitor is used in combination with the venom anti-serum of Claim 1 to enhance anti neoplastic and anti metastatic activity.
- 7. A method according to Claims 1, 2, 3 or 4 wherein the administration is part of a combination therapy with other therapeutically effective agents, such as that specified in Claim 6.
- 8. A method according to Claims 2,3 or 4 wherein the administration is in combination with adjuvants.
  - 9. A method according to Claims 1,2,3 or 4 wherein the venom is that of snake and/or insect.
  - 10. A method according to Claims 1,2,3 or 4 wherein the venom showing Phospholipase A2 activity is

obtained from more than one species of snake and/or insect.

- 11. A method according to Claims 1 and 3 wherein the therapeutic anti-serum is either totally or partially affinity purified.
- 12. A method according to Claims 1 to 11 wherein the therapeutic agent is administered as an anti-inflammatory agent.
- 13. A method according to Claims 1 to 11 wherein the therapeutic agent is administered as an inhibitor of nerve growth factor.
  - 14. A method according to Claims 1 to 11 wherein the therapeutic agent is administered as an inhibitor of lipooxygenase.
- 15. A method according to Claims 1 to 11 wherein the therapeutic agent is administered as an inhibition of cyclooxygenase product synthesis.
  - 16. A method according to Claims 2 and 4 wherein the therapeutic agent is administered as adjuvant therapy

associated with organ and tissue transplants.

- 17. A method according to Claims 1 and 3 wherein the therapeutic agent is administered to prevent the occurrence of immunosuppressant.
- 18. A method according to Claims 1 and 3 wherein the the the the the the the the treating of allergic contact dermatitis, Asthma and Psoriasis.
- 19. A method according to Claims 1 and 3 wherein the therapeutic agent is administered as an antiproliferative agent either alone or specifically cell targeted.
  - 20. A method according to Claims 1 and 3 wherein the anti-serum is administered for the treatment of physiological conditions resultant from elevated levels of phospholipase A2 products or metabolites and/or Prostaglandin E2.
    - 21. A method according to Claims 1 to 4 wherein the anti-serum to Phospholipase A2 and C are produced by molecular imprinting from template molecules generated from organic polymer mimic molecules of these enzymes.

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22. A method according to Claims 1,2,3 or 4 wherein the therapeutic agent contains a carrier moiety to increase molecular size and restrict cell penetration.

Therapeutic agents according to Claims 1,2,3 or 4 *23*. for treating one or more of the following: - rheumatoid arthritis, osteoarthritis, gout, rheumatic carditis and allergic diseases, autoimmune diseases such as failure, bronchial asthma, septic shock, renal pancreatis, myasthenia gravis and ocular and dermal psoriasis, neoplasis, inflammatory diseases, splenomegaly, cancer, metastatic spread of neoplasm, myocardial ischemia, collagen vascular disease, cellular chemotaxis, depression, erythema, vascular permeability resultant from enhanced production of acne, atopic diseases, malaria, allergic PGE<sub>2</sub>, syndrome, conjunctivitis, schizophrenia, reiters raynaud's phenomenon, lupus.

24. A method according to Claims 1 and 3 wherein the Fc receptor of the antibody to either Phospholipase Az and C used in this therapeutic method is either totally or partially removed.

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- A method according to Claim 7 wherin the combination therapy is chemotherapy and/or radiotherapy.
- A method according to Claims 1 and 3 wherein the the 26. therapy contains mono and/or poly clonals to venoms.
- A method according to Claims 1 and 6 wherein a non-toxic 5 27. compound demonstrating inhibiting activity against Phospholipase C enzymes may be utilised in conjunction with the venom anti-serum to enhance its anti-neoplastic (tumour) and anti-metastatic activity.
- A method according to Claims 1 and 3 wherein the anti-serum 28. is generated to human Phosphoslipase A2 enzyme either in a mono 10 and/or poly cional form.
  - A method according to Claims 1 and 3 wherein the anti-serum to venom Phospholipase A2 is generated in eggs, this method produces antibodies which do not react with the human Compliment system but which effectively enhance immune function and cause cell death to cancer and/or tumour cells.
- A method according to Claims 1 and 3 wherein the anti-serum 30. to venom Phospholipase A2 is generated in mammals and extracted from the colostrum and preferably but not essentially affinity purified for use in oral administration to parients either alone or in combination 20 with antiserum similiarly produced to human Phospholipase C enzyme components.

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